HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE



REPORT (Minutes) of the Planning and Development Committee relating to the inspection of planning applications and other planning related matters, held at the Fleur de Lys Council Chambers, Market Square, Hailsham on Tuesday 19th December 2017 at 6.30 pm.

PLAN/17/5x/ 148 Prior to commencement of formal business, a period of not more than 15 minutes was assigned for the purpose of permitting members of the public to address the Committee or ask questions (on matters relevant to the responsibilities under direction of this Committee) at the invitation and discretion of the presiding Chairman

Mrs Tracey of 45 Battle Road spoke against the application for The Old Courthouse. She was concerned about a lack of parking for the application, she questioned where the storage bins would be placed and stated that there is no turning space for refuse vehicles here. Mrs Tracey also expressed concern that the proposed development would result in overlooking and loss of privacy to her property. She considered the application to be overdevelopment and also advised there is no planning notice on the property.

Mr N. Clever of Well House, 4 Battle Road also spoke against the application for The Old Courthouse. His main concerns were loss of privacy, overlooking to his garden, courtyard, bedroom and kitchen as well as loss of light. He considered there is a lack of parking, the access here would be very dangerous due to the high amount of traffic that already exists here and he did not consider that this conversion should be undertaken in the conservation area.

Mrs V. Robertson of 2 Battle Road also spoke against the application for The Old Courthouse, stating that she was in agreement with all the other comments made and that her property would be overlooked by the conversion and would also result in loss of light to her property.

149 Present

Councillors: Mrs B. Beckett, P. Holbrook, Glenn Moore (Vice Chairman), M. Pinkney, J. Puttick (Chairman), C. Tasane

Officers in attendance: K. Giddings

150 Apologies For Absence

Councillor Ms A. O'Rawe, Graham Moore

151 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor P. Holbrook declared a personal interest in application WD/2017/2216, The Old Courthouse, as he lives in Battle Road.

152 **Confirmation of Minutes**

To resolve that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on Tuesday 12th December 2017 (Ref 17/5/137-147), as printed and circulated, may be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman

To receive an update about progress of resolutions from the last meeting of the Planning and Development Committee on 12th December 2017

Members were advised that Wealden District Council had approved application WD/2017/1952/MRM – Land at Amberstone, Hailsham. The Committee had requested cycle paths to be included in this application, along with a larger play space and a secondary access to be used as the works access. Wealden District Council had advised that cycle paths were not included in the outline planning permission, so this would not be possible, but amended drawings have been requested to ensure that the required 815 sqm of equipped play equipment is provided. It would not be possible to have a temporary secondary access as the site adjacent is in separate ownership.

The Committee had objected to the application for a pair of semi detached dwellings at land adjacent to Chestnut Cottage. Wealden District Council had approved this application.

Planning Applications 17/5x/154-157 (appended hereto)

154 WD/2017/2216/F- The Old Courthouse, High Street, Hailsham

Hailsham Town Council strongly objects to the application for the following reasons:

The proposed extension is over development of the site.

The Case Officer should give due consideration to the increased overlooking to neighbouring properties

The Town Council would suggest a daylight assessment for the proposed extension

There are already high levels of traffic in this area and the ingress and egress here are poor and in a particularly dangerous place to generate extra traffic

The Town Council would like to ensure the external façade of the existing structure is maintained as the building is in the conservation area where restrictive policies exist

The Town Council questions the transport report figures - there will be extra trips due to the mixed use of the building

The College is less than 150 yards away from the Old Courthouse, with the school crossing very close to the proposed application

No planning notice has been displayed on the application site

Does the proposal have sufficient foul drainage capacity?

155 WD/2017/2724/F – 10 Lansdowne Road, Hailsham

The Town Council supports the application subject to there being no encroaching onto the neighbouring property with overhanging of rainwater goods, facias and opening windows over the boundary line

156 WD/2017/2732/F – 42 Quinnell Drive, Hailsham

The Town Council supports the application subject to there being no encroaching onto the neighbouring property with overhanging of rainwater goods, facias and opening windows over the boundary line

157 WD/2017/2673/F – 38 London Road, Hailsham

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158 Other Planning Matters

Issue of Final Certificate

Welbury and Woodholm Farm, Hempstead Lane, Hailsham - Phase 2 S278 AGREEMENT UNDER THE HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 – 4th March 2011 - Improvement works to existing mini roundabout at Hawks Road/London Road junction.

Members noted the above

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.25 pm Global/Minutes & Agendas/Planning

Planning Applications

Application No: WD/2017/2724/F Full Location: 10 Lansdowne Road, Hailsham

Description: Proposed first floor extensions and single storey side extension

Application No: WD/2017/2732/F Full Location: 42 Quinnell Drive, Hailsham

Description: Single storey garage and porch extension and alterations to canopy

Application No: WD/2017/2673/F Full Location: 38 London Road, Hailsham

Description: Single storey extension to side of property

Application No: WD/2017/2216/F Full

Location: The Old Courthourse, High Street, Hailsham

Description: Conversion and extension of part of existing building to create 9 residential units and

change of use of remaining building and rear garage to office use